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**Amendments to the Drawings**

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figures 1-7. However, the substance of the drawings is unchanged. The "Annotated Sheet Showing Changes" is not needed. These sheets replace the original sheets including Figures 1-7.



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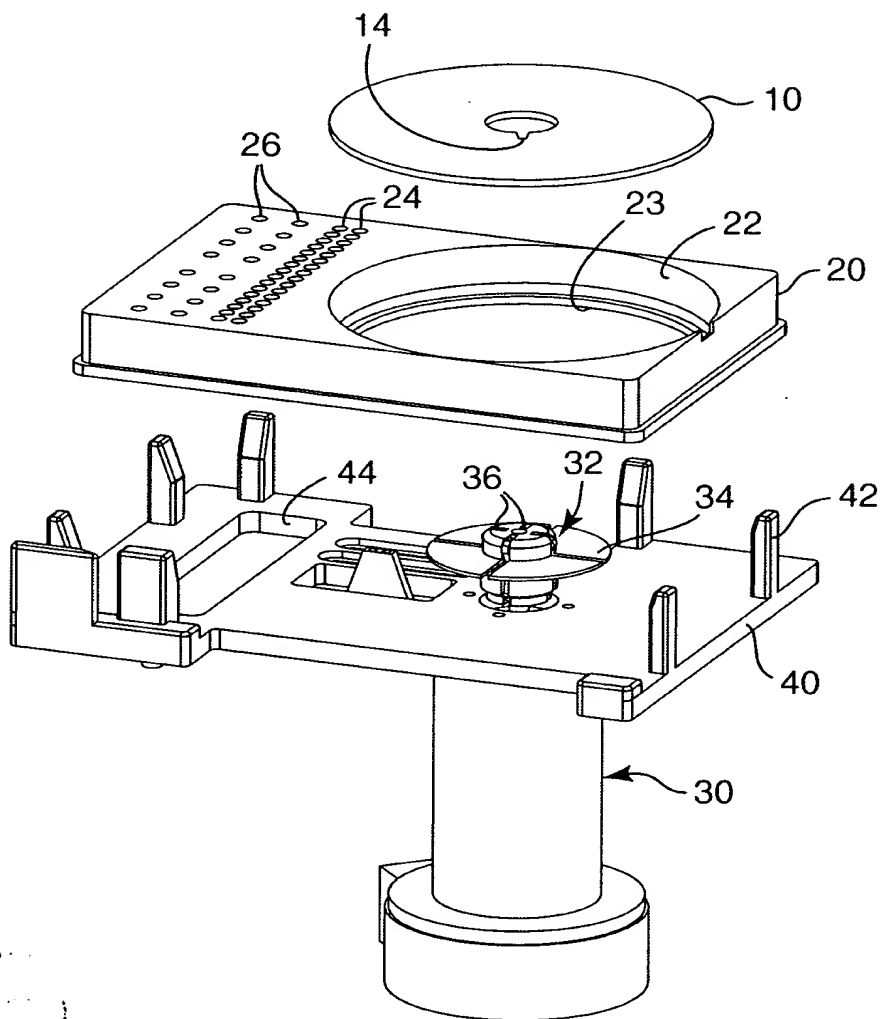
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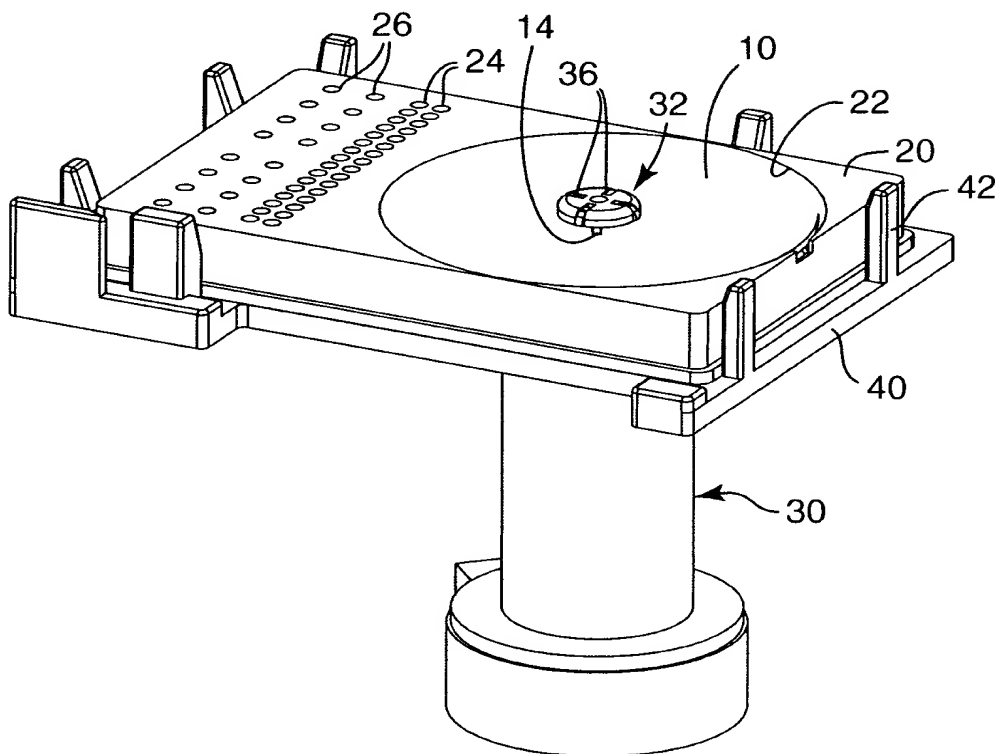
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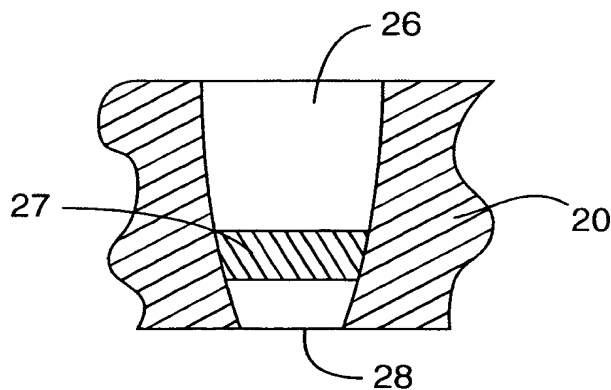
**FIG. 1**



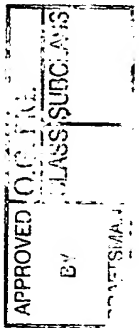
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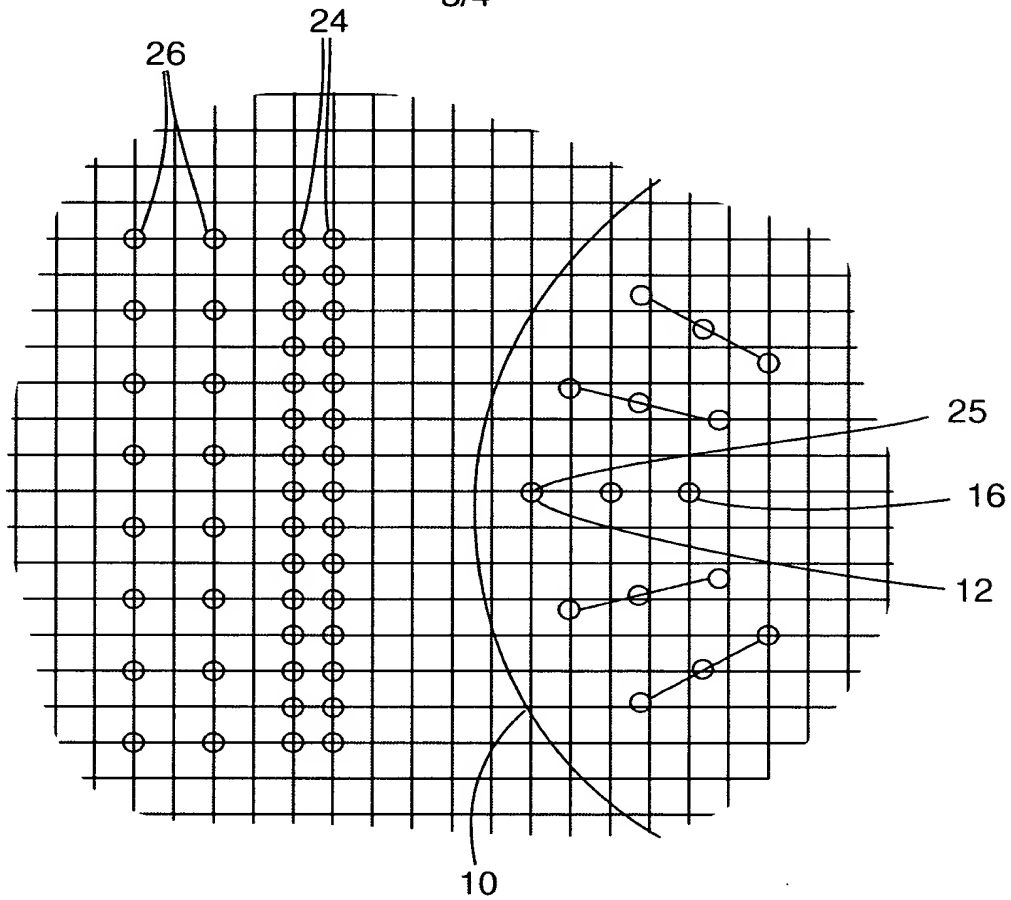
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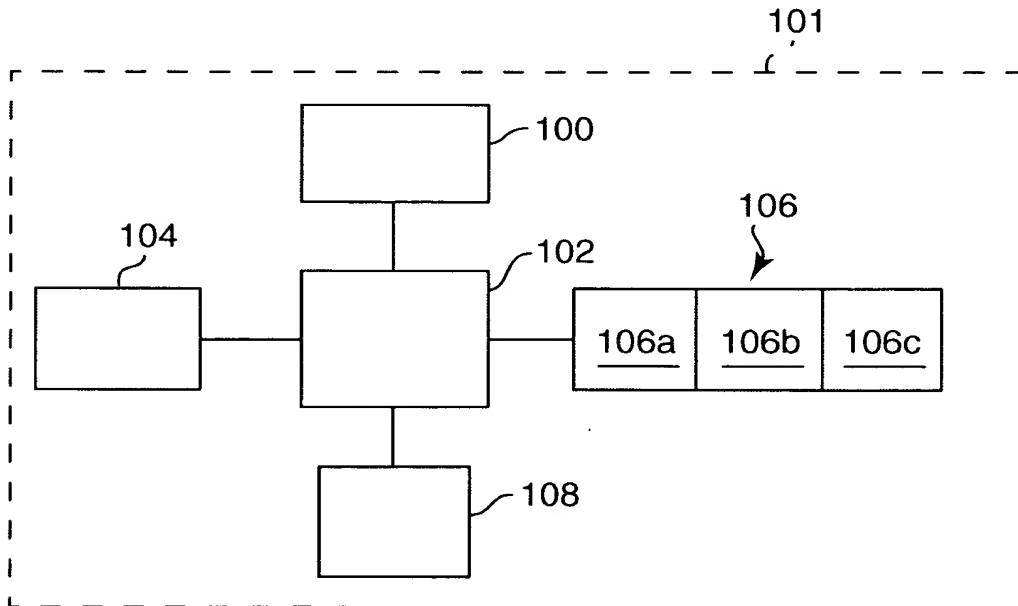
**FIG. 3**



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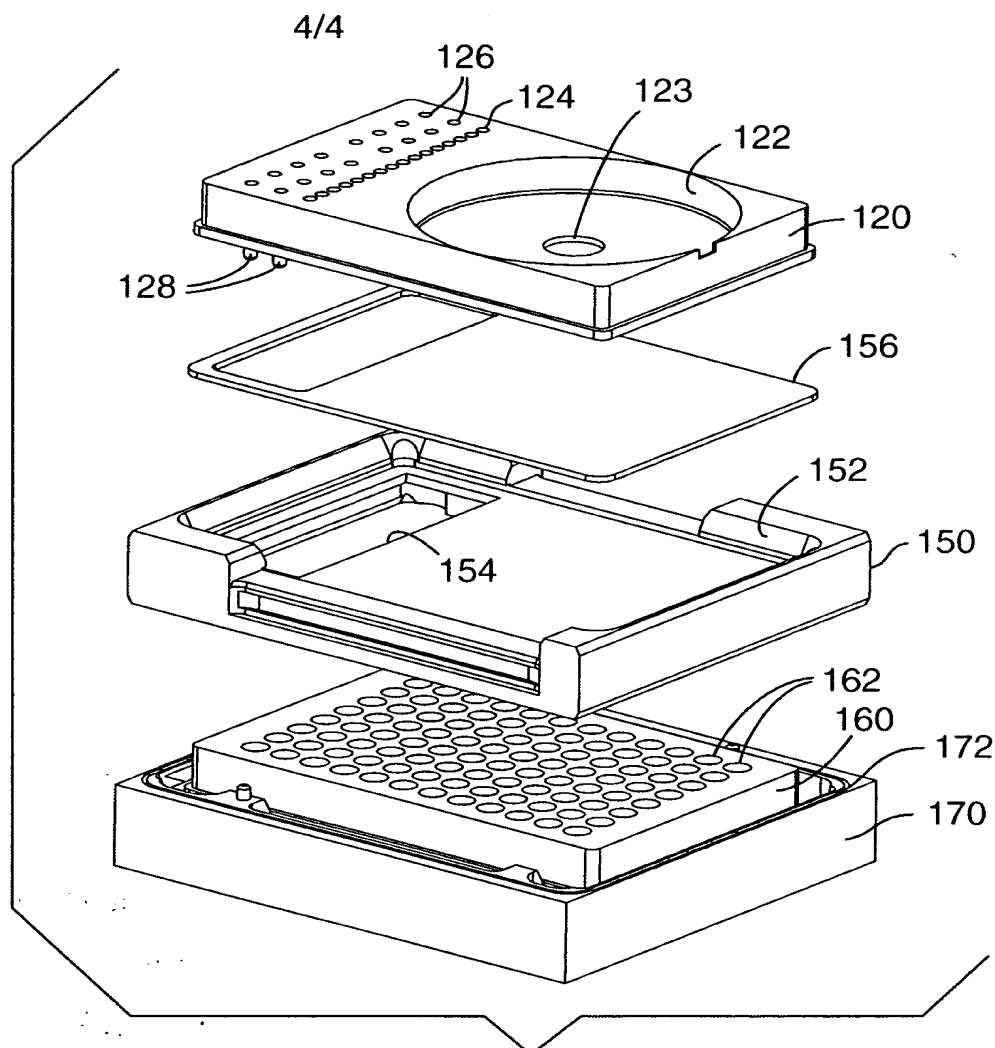
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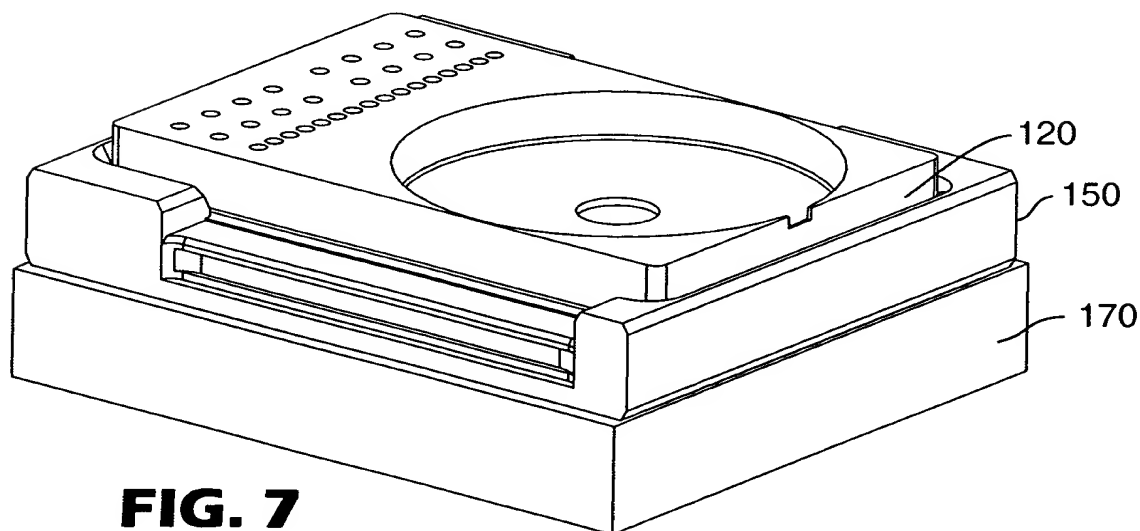
**FIG. 5**



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**FIG. 6**



**FIG. 7**